

FISCAL NOTE

HB 3715 - SB 3834

March 24, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Extends eligibility for Wilder-Naifeh technical skills grants to certain students attending proprietary institutions that are authorized to operate by THEC and accredited by certain accrediting agencies authorized by the U.S. Department of Education.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$24,100

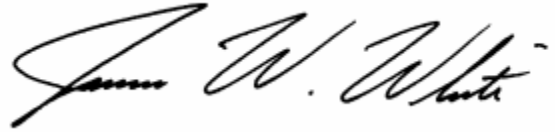
Other Fiscal Impact - Increases the expenditure of lottery proceeds earmarked for scholarships and grants by an amount estimated to be approximately \$15,235,000 in FY05-06 and approximately \$15,997,000 in FY06-07.

Assumptions:

- There were approximately 16,693 students enrolled in these proprietary institutions in FY02-03 (the last year for which totals were available) with 9,766 of this number being certificate/diploma students. After adjusting this number for growth, an estimated 11,719 students would be eligible for the grant in FY06-07 for a total award of \$15,234,700.
- In FY07-08 the number of eligible students is estimated to be 12,305 for a total award of \$15,996,500.
- The addition of one half-time position at TSAC to handle the additional workload as a result of the requirements of the bill. Such increase in state expenditures is estimated to be approximately \$24,100.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director